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(57) Abstract: The invention relates to a sensor for detecting the presence of moisture. The sensor comprises an electric circuit and ICPs. Electric properties of the ICPs are dependent on the amount of moisture with which they come into contact. The electric circuit is arranged for detecting a change of the electric properties of the ICPs for detecting moisture. The ICPs form part f a capacity, the electric circuit being arranged for detecting a change of the capacity for detecting moisture.